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Date: June 29, 1999

Mr. Kevin Thorpe USDA Agricultural Research Service Beltsville Agricultural Research Center-East Beltsville, MD 20705

Dear Mr. Thorpe:

On June 13, 1999, Rod Whiteman of my staff conducted an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your site.

However, if you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2000, please contact Brad Onken or Rod by letter or telephone (304) 285-1541 before August 27, 1999.

Please contact Rod at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

ÍOHN W. HAZEL

Field Representative

Morgantown Area Office

cc: Robert Tichenor, MDA Sally Hughes, MDA Noel Schneeberger, AO

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